

Sociology (SOC)

SOC 2510 Sociology 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

This course will cover the basic sociological theories, paradigms, and methods of social research. Some of the topics included in this course include culture, socialization, society, groups, inequalities, global society, deviance, social class, stratification, institutions, social change, and demography. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

GE Outcomes: Global Understanding and Responsibility

SOC 2520 Analysis of Social Problems 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510.

Prerequisite: SOC 2510

The student will explain and describe major social problems in contemporary American society and potential programs for the prevention and amelioration of these problems. The student will analyze the following social problems from a general, theoretical point of view: poverty, health, crime and juvenile delinquency, mental disease, personality adjustment, marriage, and housing. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2530 Racial and Ethnic Group Relations ... 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

Prerequisite: SOC 2510

This course offers a comprehensive overview of the causes and processes whereby racial and ethnic divisions are established, reproduced, and sometimes transformed. As social constructs, race and ethnicity are approached through the lens of the sociological imagination - in a way that takes into account evidence of the social and historical forces at work in the world. This course will cover today's most controversial and misunderstood race-related topics, including immigration, affirmative action, racial segregation, interracial relationships, political representation, racialized poverty and affluence, educational inequality, incarceration, terrorism, cultural appropriation, civil society, religion, marriage and divorce, and racial identity formation. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2550 Sociology of the Aging 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

Prerequisite: PSY 2510 or SOC 2510

The objective of the course is to provide the student with an understanding of aging processes, the demography of the aged, and the implications of aging for the individual and society in the future. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2560 Sociology of Sex Roles 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

The student will analyze the biosocial, cultural and institutional factors which determine the form and content of male and female social roles. The student will examine socialization theories which perpetuate the distinctions between female and male sex roles. The student will inquire into the political, economic, educational, religious, and other institutional forces which channel men and women toward the development of their emotions, values, self-concepts, and careers. The class will pay attention to the social, personal, and interpersonal consequences of the female and male distinctions. The student will investigate social movements demanding or resisting changes in the allocation of opportunities for men and women. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2570 Marriage and Family in Modern

Society 3 Credit Hours

Equivalent: SSC 2610

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

The student will explore basic concepts relating to marriage and families in modern society. This is an introduction to the changing perspectives of courtship, marriage, family life, and the varying sexual roles, social values, and life styles reflected in contemporary mate selection patterns.

BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

GE Outcomes: Personal Development

SOC 2580 Mass Media and Society 3 Credit Hours

Equivalent: SSC 2710

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

The student will analyze the impact of mass communication in society with respect to the formation of public opinion and the dissemination of information. The student will develop the ability to critically examine the techniques of the mass media and its effects upon the American culture.

BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2610 Introduction to Criminology 3 Credit Hours

English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

Prerequisite: SOC 2510

This course will apply sociological principles to analyze and interpret social factors that contribute to crime. Some of the topics covered will include etiology of crime, criminal statistics, law, nature of crime, institutions and crime, courts, corrections, prevention, and many popular issues dealing with criminology today. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2620 Sociology of Diversity 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.

This course will address many facets of diversity such as ability or disability status, age, body type, ethnicity, experience, family, gender identity, lifestyle, political ideology, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status; illustrating how a person's status in each category influences his or her social interactions, rights, and life chances. The course will address theory and research on diversity as well as the encouragement of behavior that embraces diversity and promotes a more just and peaceful society. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

GE Outcomes: Social Responsibility